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GTLE Dakota Plant 1 LLC Permit to Construct

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June 19, 2009

In a public notice dated January 30, 2009, the Department proposed issuance of an Air Pollution Control Permit to Construct for the GTLE Dakota Plant 1 LLC coal beneficiation plant in accordance with the North Dakota Air Pollution Control Rules. A 30-day public comment period for the proposed permit was held from February 6, 2009 to March 9, 2009. A number of comments were received by the Department.

Based on the level of public interest, the Department held a public information meeting and a public hearing on April 28, 2009 at the Dickinson City Hall in Dickinson, North Dakota. The notice for the public information meeting and public hearing extended the public comment period for the proposed permit to May 8, 2009. A number of additional comments were received by the Department.

The Department prepared a response to public comments dated June 19, 2009. The response to public comments summarized the comments received and responded to each comment. In response to the comments received, the Department added two conditions to the proposed Permit to Construct. The two additional conditions establish specific requirements regarding fugitive dust control and coal analyses.

Based on a review of all relevant information regarding the GTLE Dakota Plant 1 LLC facility, it is determined that the facility is expected to comply with all applicable air pollution control rules. Therefore, it is recommended that a Permit to Construct be issued for the GTLE Dakota Plant 1 LLC facility.

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